IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jacob E. BROWN, et al.

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For: APPARATUS, SYSTEM AND METHOD OF MECHANICALLY COUPLING PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULES

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Commissioner for Patents Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts,. i.e., before the issuance of an office action on the merits of the application. Therefore, no fee is required for filing this Information Disclosure Statement.

A copy each of the listed documents is attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO-1449.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required,

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Respectfully submitted,

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